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Pennsylvania Egg Production Up 6 Percent in February

HARRISBURG, PA – Mar 22, 2011 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during February 2011 totaled 557 million eggs, up 6 percent from the 526 million eggs produced in February 2010, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 25.0 million during February, a 6 percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,224 eggs during the month, a decrease of 6 eggs overall from February 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 13.3 million during February 2011, a 17 percent increase from the number hatched in the same month a year earlier.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.01 billion during February 2011, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.03 billion table eggs, and 974 million hatching eggs, of which 908 million were broiler-type and 66 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2011 averaged 339 million, down slightly from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,065 eggs, up 1 percent from February 2010.

Egg-type chicks hatched during February 2011 totaled 37.3 million, down 7 percent from February 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched during February 2011 totaled 709 million, up 1 percent from February 2010. There were 22.3 million net poults placed during February 2011 in the United States, up 6 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

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